

(b) To provide a direct service of books, pamphlets, clippings, and visual materials, and guidance in their use, to individuals, groups, and schools;

(c) To provide a supplementary service of books, pamphlets, clippings, reading courses, and visual materials for the libraries of the State;

(d) To encourage the development of library services in State hospitals and institutions;

(e) To compile statistics and other facts on the status of libraries, and to prepare and publish reports and bulletins;

(f) To coordinate the library services covered by this sub-title with other library and educational services and agencies;

(g) To cooperate with the library agencies of other States and with national library agencies;

(h) To give professional advice and assistance to all county libraries, and to all other public libraries of the State established or operating under this sub-title;

(i) To establish professional standards for any county or other public library established or operating under this sub-title.

(j) To perform all other duties necessary for the proper operation of the library division.

166. (a) The Board of County Commissioners of any county shall have power to establish and maintain county public libraries for the purposes of this sub-title. Such libraries shall in each instance be located in the county seat, or in any place to be determined by the said Board, with branch libraries and stations in such places within the county as the Board of Library Trustees may deem necessary. The County Commissioners shall levy a sum in support of the library, as provided in sub-section (a) of Section 167 of this sub-title.

(b) Any library, established and operating under this sub-title, shall for the period during which it so operates, offer free service to the residents of the county in which it is located; provided, that the Board of Library Trustees and the librarian shall have the right to make reasonable rules and regulations for the use of the library and its facilities and to extend the privileges and facilities of said library to persons living outside of the county upon such terms and conditions as said Board may from time to time by resolution prescribe.

(c) The County Commissioners may, for the purposes of this sub-title, acquire by gift, purchase, or condemnation, real or leasehold property, and may erect thereon out of specially appropriated funds, buildings for the use of